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SUBSTANTIVE COMMENT AT THIS TIME. CHIEF OF GATT OFFICE DEHENNIN

SAID THAT BELGIUM ESSENTIALLY NEUTRAL ON THIS ISSUE. IT HAS NO INDUSTRY OF ITS OWN TO PROTECT AND THUS WILL FOLLOW WHATEVER THE CONSENSUS IS OF THE OTHER MEMBER STATES. HE ADDED THAT BELGIUM IS, HOWEVER, CONCERNED WITH REACTION OF THE ACP COUNTRIES.

- 2. ACCORDING TO DEHENNIN, AD HOC COREPER GROUP MEETING AFTERNOON MARCH 1 TO DISCUSS TOBACCO ISSUE IN PREPARATION FOR PROBABLE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS CONSIDERATION OF IT MARCH 2.
- 3. AGATT HAS ALSO INFORMED MINAG OF OUR VIEWS ON THIS MATTER. RENNER $\,$

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